IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

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RESPONDENT'S FIRST MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME WITH BRIEF IN SUPPORT

This is a habeas corpus case brought by a Texas state prisoner, Mark McCourt Lieber, Jr., under 28 U.S.C. § 2254. The Director was ordered to file an answer within thirty days of receipt of the petition, making the Director's answer due March 4, 2019. Fed. R. Civ. Proc. 6. Though they were timely ordered, the state court records necessary to complete the Director's answer were only received by the undersigned on February 27, 2018. As a result, the undersigned has not had sufficient time to review the records and complete the Director's response. Additional time to respond is required and would be greatly appreciated. The Director respectfully requests an extension of thirty days, up to and including Wednesday, April 3, 2019, to file her response.

This is the Director's first request for an extension of time in this cause.

The Director apologizes to the Court for the necessity of this extension.

Moreover, this request is not designed to harass Lieber, nor to unnecessarily

delay these proceedings, but to ensure that Lieber's claims are properly addressed. Accordingly, the Director respectfully requests an extension of thirty days, up to and including, Wednesday, April 3, 2019, to complete the Director's response.

CONCLUSION

The Director respectfully requests that her First Motion for Extension of Time be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF CONFERENCE

I do hereby certify that a conference is not possible because Petitioner is incarcerated.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing pleading has been served by placing the same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, on this the 1st day of March, 2019, addressed to: Mark McCourt Lieber, Jr., TDCJ No. 1969926, Michael Unit, 2664 FM 2054, Tennessee Colony, TX 75886.

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